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In re application of: Miyuki SASAKI et al.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Entry of the following amendments in the above-identified application prior to examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-31 without prejudice or disclaimer.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

 No additional fee is required. Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted. A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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